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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application are the following:

- 1) **Response to Official Action Dated May 10, 2000 ("Response")**
The Response includes Appendix A through I, each separated by "blue sheets" and the following documents:
 - (a) Declaration of Stanley J. Watson, M.D., Ph.D. (including Appendix A; Appendix B (B1-B3); Appendix C; Appendix D (D1-D2), each separated by "green sheets".
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- 3) **Revocation of Power of Attorney**
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- 4) **Request for Three Month Extension**
 - (a) Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) ("Petition")
 - (b) Authorization to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 50-1441
 - (c) Duplicate Copy of the Petition

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